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In re Application of: Kirk Hogan
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**AMMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE
ACTION DATED OCTOBER 18, 2002**

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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Madam:

The following communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed October 18, 2002, due on or before January 18, 2002. This communication is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination and should be considered as a preliminary amendment for examination purposes. The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

A clean version of the rewritten, added, and or cancelled claims with instructions for entry pursuant to 37 C.F.R., Section 1.121(c)(1)(i) is included beginning on the next page of this communication. A marked up version of the rewritten, added, and/or cancelled claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R., Section 1.121(c)(1)(ii) is attached as Appendix I. A clean version of the entire set of pending claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R., Section 1.121(c)(3) as they should appear following entry of this amendment is attached as Appendix II.